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In re Appln. of: RICHARD C. WILSON

Appln. No.: 10/662,152

Filed: September 12, 2003

For: LAMINATE STRUCTURE SUITABLE FOR
FURNITURE EXTERIORS

Attorney Docket No: 12230-008

Examiner:

Art Unit: 2851

Commissioner for Patents
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- Petition To Accord Filing Date

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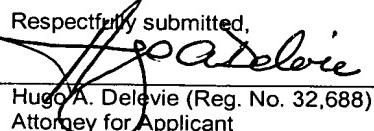
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Respectfully submitted,


Hugo A. Delevie (Reg. No. 32,688)
Attorney for ApplicantU.S.P.S. EXPRESS MAIL "POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" SERVICE
DEPOSIT INFORMATION

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**PETITION TO ACCORD FILING DATE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10(d)**

Sir:

Petitioner hereby petitions to have the above-captioned application accorded a filing date of September 12, 2003, as provided under 37 C.F.R. §1.10(d).

Factual Background

On September 12, 2003, at approximately 11:57 pm EDT, Petitioner's undersigned representative hand-delivered to an employee of the United States Postal Service (USPS) at the USPS's Redford Branch, Redford, Michigan, six (6) separate Express Mail Envelopes, including one bearing Express Mail Label No. EV329458878US (copy attached as Exhibit A) and containing the above-captioned original application (a copy of the accompanying transmittal bearing this same Express Mail Label No. EV329458878US is attached at Exhibit B). Express Mail Label No. EV329458878US included a USPS corporate account authorization in full payment of the required postage.

Attached as Exhibit C is a copy of a letter on official USPS letterhead dated September 17, 2003, from Pamela Rambo, Manager, USPS Customer Services at the Redford Branch, which states:



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P.O. Box 10395
Chicago, IL 60610

To Whom It Concerns:

At approximately 11:57 PM on September 12, 2003, a U. S. Postal Service employee working the Customer Service window at the Redford Branch Post Office received six (6) Express envelopes, ("Express Mail Post Office to Addressee") each addressed to the "Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450".

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If further questions concerning this matter, I may be contacted at 313-937-2145.

/Pamela Rambo/
Pamela Rambo
Manager, Customer Services

Processing delays at the Redford Branch experienced subsequent to USPS receipt of these six Express Mail envelopes, including the re-scanning/re-dating of two of the six Express Mail envelopes, resulted in the annotation by USPS employees of each of the Express Mail labels with the incorrect "date-in" of September 13, 2003, and with a respective "time-in" varying from 12:02am to 12:37am, as seen on the copies of all six Express Mail labels, collectively attached as Exhibit D (the latter range of indicated receipt times further serving to dramatically underscore the processing difficulties experienced by the USPS's Redford Branch

subsequent to simultaneous receipt of all of the envelopes at 11:57pm on September 12, 2003).

Within one business day, Petitioner's undersigned representative completed an Express Mail Deposit Log (copy attached as Exhibit E), further evidencing the deposit of the above-captioned application with the USPS on September 12, 2003.

Requirements For Grantable Petition

According to 37 C.F.R. 1.10(d):

- (1) The Petition must be filed promptly;
- (2) The number of the Express Mail mailing label must have been placed on the correspondence prior to the original mailing by "Express Mail;" and
- (3) The Petition must include a showing which establishes that the requested filing date was the date the correspondence was deposited in the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service prior to the last scheduled pickup for that day, as corroborated by evidence from the USPS or that came into being after deposit and within one business day of the deposit.

The Application is Properly Accorded A Filing Date of September 12, 2003

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10(d), Petitioner respectfully submits that this petition is timely filed; that the number of the Express Mail mailing label was duly placed on the correspondence prior to original mailing of the envelope (see the application transmittal, Exhibit B), and the envelope duly deposited with the USPS using the "Post Office to Addressee" Service, postage-paid, and addressed to the Commissioner for Patents (see Ms. Rambo's letter, Exhibit C); and that both the "official USPS annotation" (the letter from Ms. Rambo of the USPS's Redford Branch, Exhibit D) and the deposit log (Exhibit E) duly corroborate the true "date-in" of September 12, 2003.



Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Petitioner respectfully requests that the application be accorded a filing date of September 12, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

01/16/2004
Date


Hugo A. Delevie (Reg. No. 32,688)
Attorney for Applicant

Attachments:

- Exhibit A: copy of Express Mail mailing label No. EV329458878US
- Exhibit B: copy of application transmittal
- Exhibit C: copy of USPS letter of September 17, 2003
- Exhibit D: copy of the Express Mail labels from all six (6) express mail envelopes
- Exhibit E: copy of Express Mail Deposit Log completed September 15, 2003



 EV 329458878 US		Customer Copy <small>Label 11-F June 2002</small>	
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WAIVER OF SIGNATURE (Domestic Only) Additional merchandise insurance is void if waiver of signature is requested. I wish delivery to be made without obtaining signature of addressee or addressee's agent (if delivery employee judges that article can be left in secure location) and I authorize that delivery employee's signature constitutes valid proof of delivery.

NO DELIVERY Weekend Holiday

Customer Signature



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For: LAMINATE STRUCTURE SUITABLE FOR FURNITURE EXTERIORS
Attorney Docket No: 12230-008
Express Mail" mailing label number: EV329458878US
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a new application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), including the following elements and other papers:

- Specification, including 10 pages of application (including title page, claims and Abstract), 2 sheet(s) of drawings, and the following Appendices:
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages) (Executed Unexecuted)
- Information Disclosure Statement, including Form PTO-1449 (3 sheets) and copies of references cited
- Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet and attached assignment to: _____
- Other: _____
- Return Postcard
- Fee calculation and payment:

Claims as Filed		Col. 1	Col. 2
For	No. Filed	No. Extra	
Basic Fee			
Total Claims	-20		
Indep. Claims	-3		
Multiple Dependent Claims Present			

*If the difference in col. 1 is less than zero,
enter "0" in col. 2.

Small Entity	
Rate	Fee
	\$ 375
x\$9=	\$
x\$42=	\$
+\$140=	\$
Total	\$375

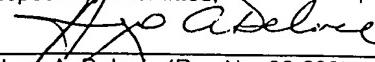
Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Fee
	\$ 750
x\$18=	\$
x\$84=	\$
+\$280=	\$
Total	\$

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 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.
 - Any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

8. Correspondence Address: Please address all future communications to:

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(734) 302-6000

Respectfully submitted,


Hugo A. Delevie (Reg. No. 32,688)
 Attorney/Agent Of Record
 37 C.F.R. § 1.34(a)

September 12, 2003

Date

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If further questions concerning this matter, I may be contacted at 313-937-2145.

A handwritten signature in cursive ink that appears to read "Pamela D. Rambo".

Pamela D. Rambo
Manager, Customer Services

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DATE 9/11/03	Postage 13.65	
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Weight 4.7 lbs	Int'l Alpha Country Code 67	COD Fee <input type="checkbox"/>
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WAIVER OF SIGNATURE (Domestic Only) Additional merchandise insurance is valid if no waiver of signature is requested. I want delivery to be made without obtaining signature on my addressee or addressee's agent if delivery employee judges that article can be left in secure location and I authorize that delivery employee's signature constitutes valid proof of delivery.

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Time In 12-02	Military <input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	Return Receipt Fee <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd Day <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd Day
Weight 6.00 lbs.	Int'l Alpha Country Code 001	COD Fee <input type="checkbox"/>
No Delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday	Acceptance Clerk Initials ALR	Total Postage & Fees S 13.65

DELIVERY (POSTAL USE ONLY)

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<input type="checkbox"/> WAIVER OF SIGNATURE (Domestic Only) Additional merchandise insurance is void if waiver of signature is requested. I wish delivery to be made without obtaining signature of addressee or addressee's agent if delivery employee judges that article will be left secure at location and I authorize that delivery employee's signature be substituted and sign my name on delivery.		
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Mo. Day Year <i>MON 13 03</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Noon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 PM	Return Receipt Fee	
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WAVER OF SIGNATURE (Domestic Only) Additional merchandise insurance is not available if signature is waived. I request delivery without obtaining signature of addressee or addressee's agent if delivery employee judges that article can be left in secure location and I authorize that delivery employee's signature constitutes valid proof of delivery.

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Customer Signature *[Signature]*

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